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Re: Jim Risch for U.S. Senate Committee

A recent mailing promoting Jim Risch for U.S. Senate appears to violate the prohibition on corporate contributions to federal candidates.

The mailing contained two letters, both apparently paid by the Jim Risch for Senate Committee, but it was mailed in an envelope bearing the return address of Idaho Right to Life, Inc., a non-profit corporation, and using IRTL's bulk mailing permit. I believe this constitutes an illegal contribution to the Jim Risch for Senate Committee by Idaho Right to Life, Inc.

I am enclosing a copy of the envelope and the two letters that were mailed in it. Because I believe IRTL may also have violated the regulations governing non-profit corporations by engaging in illegal electioneering, I am also sending copies of this letter to the IRS and the U.S. Postal Service.

Because the election is only about six weeks away, I would request an expedited investigation of this complaint.

Sincerely,

Jim/Hansen

Executive Director, Idaho Democratic Party

Cc: Internal Revenue Service
U.S. Postal Service

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September 2, 2008

Dear Friend:

Idaho now faces a critical election. I write to ask that you join me in the battle of protecting preborn children by helping elect Jim Risch to the United Status Sangle.

Jim Risch has been my friend for many years. He has supported and voted for key prolife legislation for over twenty years. I know. I have watched him and kept in touch with him about legislation, including the effort to improve the gadity of information watten receive before undergoing an abortion. He supported an enactment of an Ideiho ban on Partial Birth abortions. He, too, has effectively supported a strong Parental Consent law in this state, and a fetal homicide statute. Wherever possible, Jim Risch has been a strong leader for Life.

Going back to the 1980s, Jim Risch has helped efforts to restrict abortions. In fact, the first informed consent bill passed in Idaho was equally carried by Jim when he served as the Majority Leader and President Pro Tempore of the Idaho Senate.

Jim is an affective leader with proven experience in the legislative arena in the effort to end legalized abortion.

These are the reasons I know in my heart that <u>this will realize a arest U.S. Sensitive for Idaho</u>. His experience, his commitment, and his high energy and hibitalligation will make him a strong national prolife leader upon entering the United States Senate.

Effective, hard-working, experienced, intelligent, and energetic. Yes, all of that is true. However, you and I both know that we have a fight on our hands to get him elected.

Jim's pro-abertion opponent, barry Laffecto, has already religid over \$600,000 in his bid to win lidehe's Senate seat. As of last month, he was showing \$204,000 in the bank. As you know from media reports and national pralife leaders, the pro-abettion leader has a huge monetary advantage over the pro-life leader we move through the seministration will like.

Also, don't forget the everythelming financial edge that the pro-alsortion Democratic condition, Barack Obains, holds in the pro-sidential operate. His will then still material will allow Obains to share resources with targeted comparises in Idaho.

Larry Latinces has begun collecting individual and PAC donations from the pre-abortion lobby. His last filed finance report shows a big donation from NARAL—National Abortion Rights Action League—a financial clubhouse founded and funded by the Nation's largest abortionists.

LaRocco can expect continued support from the Abortion Lobby because of his proven commitment to abortion-on-demand in this state and in the Nation.

When LaRocco served in Congress for a few years in the 1990s, he regularly voted with the Abortion Lobby. One key vote was his support of permitting abortions on U.S. military bases.

LaRocco also supported allocating *millions* of taxpayer dallars for Planned Parenthood—while opposing efforts to limit federal funding so that Planned Parenthood would not use federal funds for abortions.

LaRocco voted to restrict our right to proyerfully and peacefully gather around abortion clinics in exercising our First Amendment rights. Is there any wonder why the Abortion Lobby is so anxious to support his candidacy for the U.S. Senate!

As the above demonstrates, you and I have a dramatic choice this fall—probably one of the most important votes asst in a lifetime. You can send a strong prolife leader to Washington, or we can allow a pro-abortion candidate to vote against us in the Senate.

I cannot sit back and allow that to happen. That is why I am writing. Please join with me and my family in making a generous donation today to the Risch for Senate Campaign.

With the national political scene in turmoil, America needs ethical, energetic, intelligent, and strong leadership if we are to move this country chead in the long struggle to protect women, families, and preborn children from the devastation of abortion. It is entirely possible that the balance in the U.S. Senate may depend on Jim Risch's vote to block pro-abortion naminees to the U.S. Supreme Court.

With the national stakes so high, with the current political mindset, and with the need for real leadership that speaks the truth, Jim's race for the Senate is one we certainly cannot take for granted.

Please. Take the time. Now, Valunteer to help Jim's compaign. Pray. Write a check to the Risch compaign. Whatever you do to help is no less than an investment in the future. Your contribution will help Jim Risch—a Prolife leader—to be elected U.S. Senater who will represent you, your family, and our great State of Idaho. It is an investment in America at a key juncture for women, families, and babies. Simply stated, let's make sure Jim Risch has the resources be neede to neglitize Idaho's Prolife majority this fall.

Thank you for your time and is it it is support. Together we can help send a good man and an effective leader to our Nation's Capital city.

Jim Rinds will be a United Status Senator that we will always be proud of.

Thankyou and God bless you,

Sincerely

KERRY LIHILENKOTT

JAMES E. RISCH 31ST GOVERNOR OF IDAHO P.O. BOX 1947 BOILE, IDAHO 86701

September 2, 2008

Dear Fellow Prolife Supporter:

We are in the midst of an historic election season. After years of conservative government, it seems that the national pendulum is beginning to swing back. You can see signs of liberal momentum in the vast sums of money being generated by the Obama campaign and various Democratic committees.

A lot of that swing is just a natural part of the political process: Sume folks begin to think that the grass on the other side is magically greener than when we last lived mider a liberal rule.

But you and I know that such talk is just illusion.

America does best when freedom is the watchweed—when folks are able to pursue their dreams and ideas without government intrusion or regulation.

And America's families do best when traditional values are respected by Congress and the federal judiciary.

I decided to run for the United States Senate because I believe I can make a BIG difference in protecting Idaho's way of life and our core values.

As your voice in Washington, I can—and will—work evertime each day to limit the damage done to Idaho and America by this ways of liberal defusion.

There is no Idaho value more dear to my beart than protecting warner and bubies from abortion.

During my long carger in the Ideho State Senate, it has been my privilege to carry many pro-life pieces of legislation—bills which are now law. One of the most mamorable battles came in the 1998 session, when I carried the legislation which would be all partial birth abortions in Idaho.

That build sticks in my mind because of the horror we all had to confront in considering the brutality of ending a buy's life even while he or she is in the process of being born. That was an emotional and tough fight on the Sanate floor—but I am glad to say that we prevailed. It was worth every hour of time we spent preparing for a greating floor fight.

At the same time—the great effort to exact a Ban on Partial Birth Abortions also brings to mind the disappointment we all felt when federal courts frustrated the people's will by finding the Ban to be "unconstitutional."

You and I both know how important the foderal judiciary is to our long-term goal of ending abartion in America.

Given my legal background and long legislative experience with the abortion issue—I know I can make a substantial difference as a member of the United States Senate. With some pundits calling for a gain of 4-6 Democrat seats in the Senate—gyery pro-life vote is going to be critically important.

But given the growing resources of my "pro-choice" opponent, I am going to need your help in winning this crucial election.

These campaigns for federal office are incredibly expensive.

Literature, mail and television will cost a great deal of money—and we will need to be competitive if we are to properly defend our values in this coming election. Idaho voters must be teld of the stark differences between my opponent and me. They must understand the great threat posed by my opponent's value system.

I am confident that if we get that message before our neighbors—they will once again show the common sense and wisdom for which the state is rightly renowned. They will reject the glitz and rhetoric of liberalism. They will rise up to defend families and our groven values.

But to get there—I need your help.

Would you take a moment today, while the impulse is fresh, to write a check to our campaign? Whatever you can afford to send would be greatly appreciated, and so would your prayers.

As your Senator, I assure you that I will take every opportunity to defend America's preboun children.

Together we can return to America's respect for life.

Thank you for your consideration and help in this great campaign to restore our nation's greatness.

Very truly yours.

JAMES E. RISCH

Paid for by Jim Risch for U.S. Senate Committee

LAROCCO KEY VOTES 1991-1994

ABORTION

- > Larocco Voted To Fund The United Nations Population Fund Despite The Programs' Support For China's Coercive Birth Limitation Program
 - o LaRecco voted in favor of the Kostmayer, D-Pa., amendment to the Smith, R-N.J., amendment, to preserve the \$20 million in fastions for the United Nations population fund (UNFPA), which supports family-planning programs in many countries. The Smith amendment would have removed the funding on the grounds that the UNFPA operates in China, which uses forced abertions and involuntary sterilization as means of family planning. (Adopted 234-188; R 40-121; D 193-67: 1 1-0)¹
 - "The Government of the United States is disappointed that the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) has decided to continue to provide financial and technical assistance to the Chinese birth limitation program under the direction of China's National Population and Family Planning Commission."

"INFPA should insist that all coercion end in the counties where it operates. Chinese birth limitation laws and policies are inconsistent with the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and with the commitments undertaken by the Government of China at the 1994 International Confirence on Population and Development."2

- > Lerocco Opposed Parental Notification Requirements
 - LaRecco voted against a motion to recommit to the House Energy and Commerce Committee the bill with instructions to report it back with an attreminent to federally funded Title X ulinics to give parents 48 hours' notice before performing an abortion on a minor. (Motion rejected 179-243: R 198-34; D 41-208 (ND 26-141, 8D 15-67); 10-13°
- > Larocco Voted To Allow Federal Funds To Be Used For Abortion And Abortion Counseling
 - a LaRacop voted for adoption of the confequence region to reinfluence Pitle X of the Public Heelth Service Act for five years through fiscal 1997. The hill would overimm the administration's "gaz raile" and thus allow abastion sourceling at federally funded family planning clinics. (Adopted 251-144: R 48-102; D 202-42: I 1:-0)

HR 2508, CQ Voje \$148, June 12, 1991

² TINFPA Chine Program, Titled States Department of State, June 24, 2005 ³ HR 670, CQ Vote #106, Muchi25, 1993 ⁴ S 323, CQ Vote #275, Aug. 6, 1992

- o LaRocco voted for passage, over President Bush's veto Sept. 25, of the bill to reauthorize Title X of the Public Health Service Act through fiscal 1997. The bill would overturn the administration's "gag rule" and require women with unintended pregnancies to receive "non-directive counseling" on all options, including abortion. (Rejected 266-148; R 56-107; D 269-41; I 1-0)⁵
- LaRocco voted for passage of the bill to allow military personnel and their dependents to receive abortions at overseas military facilities at their own expense. (Passed (thus clearing the bill for the president) 220-186: R 35-121; D 184-65; I 1-0)⁶
- o LaRocco voted for passage of the bill to authorize \$238 million in fiscal 1994 and \$270.5 million in fiscal 1995 for Title X family planning programs at clinics. The bill would codify the Clinton administration's lifting of the gag rule that prohibited staff at federally funded clinics from discussing abortion. (Passed 273-149; R 51-121; D 221-28; I 1-0)⁷
- o LaRosco voted against an amendment to prehibit funds in the bill from being spent for an abortion except when it is made known that it is a case of rape, incest or necessity to save the life of the mother. (Adopted in Committee of the Whole 255-178: R. 157-16; D 98-161; I 0-1)
- o LaRocco voted against on a separate vote at the request of Armey, R-Texas, on the amendment adopted in the Committee of the Whole editered by Hyde, R-Ill., to prohibit funds in the bill from being spent for an abortion except when it is made knewn that it is a case of rape, incest or necessity to save the life of the mother. (Adopted 256-171: R 157-16; D 99-154; I 0-1)
- Larocco Voted To Make It More Difficult To Hold Peaceful Protests At Abortion Chains
 - LaRocco veted for the adoption of the confinence repost to establish federal criminal and civil penalties for persons who use force, the threat of force or physical character to block access to shortion clinics. (Adopted 241-174: R 40-131; D 200-43; L1-0).
 - The ACU describes this as a "vote on a bill to make peaceful obstruction as well as violent intimidation outside abortion climics a federal crime subject to civil damage awards."

⁵ S 323, CQ Vote #152, Oct. 2, 1999

^{9-3144,} CQ Vote #455, Oct. 3, 1992

HR 579, CQ Vote #167, March 25, 1993

HR 2518, CQ Vote #307, June 30, 1993

¹ HR 2518, CQ Vote #309, June 90, 1993:

^{*} S 636, CQ Vote #159, May 5, 1994

^{11 &}quot;1994 ACT Brone Vote Descriptions," American Conservative Union, Appeared April 18, 2007.